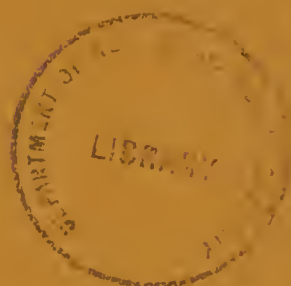


Urban District Council  
of  
Southborough



ANNUAL  
REPORT

for 1971

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

**R. G. BRENNEN, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.**



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SOUTHBOROUGH URBAN DISTRICT

HEALTH COMMITTEE

(Constitution at 31st December, 1971)

Chairman of Council                      Councillor P.T. Vincent  
\*Councillor Mrs. E.D. Garlick (Chairman)

Councillor T.E. Burns	Councillor R.C. Hopkins
Councillor J.F.W. Churn	Councillor R.E. King, J.P.
Councillor H.B. Dent	'Councillor Mrs. M.P. Schofield

\*Member, with Councillor W.A. Russell, on the South West Kent Joint  
Health Committee

'Standing Deputy on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

R.G. BRENNEN, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.

DEPUTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

DOROTHY N. IRONSIDE, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

(also Senior Clinical Medical Officer,  
Kent County Council)



CLERICAL STAFF

TONBRIDGE OFFICE:

Chief Clerk: Mrs.E.M.Tibbles  
Shorthand Typist/Clerk: Mrs.J.M.Oughton

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PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR:

R.G.Wheeler (a, b and c)

Public Health Inspector's Clerk:

Mrs.M.J. Gaunt

Rodent Operator:

L.C. Harbour

- (a) Certificate of Royal Sanitary Institute and Sanitary Inspectors'  
Examination Joint Board
- (b) Meat and Other Foods Inspection Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (c) Sanitary Science Certificate of the Royal Society of Health

Mr.R.C.Spalding, M.A., F.R.I.C., acts as County Analyst for the District



SOUTHBOROUGH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Tonbridge 3329

3, River Walk,  
Tonbridge

To the Chairman and Members of the Southborough Urban District Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the District for 1971.

The estimated mid-year population of the District, given by the Registrar-General, was 9,680, a decrease of 40 over the mid - 1970 figure.

The total number of registered live births was 109, (50 males and 59 females), compared with last year's total of 103. The crude birth rate was 11.3 per 1,000 population, the corrected birth rate being 12.9, compared with 16.0 for England and Wales.

The number of deaths from all causes totalled 94 ( 42 males and 52 females), this figure being somewhat lower than last year's figure of 120. The crude death rate per 1,000 population was 9.7, the corrected death rate for the District being 7.7, compared with 11.6 for England and Wales.

One infant died under one year of age, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 9.0. The rate for England and Wales was 18.0. The Neo-Natal death rate (the number of deaths of infants under four weeks) was also 9.0.

There were 9 deaths of Cancer of the Lung and Bronchus (all males), compared with 7 last year.

The number of notifiable infectious diseases recorded in the District was 22 compared with 137 in 1970.

On page 15 of this Report, figures are given showing the number of persons immunised and vaccinated during the year under review.

It will be appreciated that this report is an attempt to record the quality of life in our own small community, this in turn reflecting the work of our medical and social services against an environmental background in the planning and improving of which so much time is voluntarily spent by our Civic representatives. This is supplemented by a vast volume of voluntary effort by individuals both inside and outside these services, and to these I should like to record my indebtedness for their help on so many occasions during the year.

However, consideration of the facts of life and death in this report will, I hope, remind us that our personal habits and choice in our mode of life would be as important in improving the health of our community and reduction of the pollution of our environment, as would thought and kindness in caring for our neighbours.

Once again my sincere thanks are due to Mr. Wheeler and the staff of the Department, and to all those too numerous to mention, who have so patiently assisted in the compilation of these statistics.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R.G. BRENNEN

Medical Officer of Health

### GENERAL STATISTICS

Area	1,759 acres
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Population:

R.G.'s Estimate mid 1971	9,680
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R.G.'s Estimate mid 1970	9,720
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R.G.'s Estimate mid 1971 for England and Wales	48,815,000
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Density of population, i.e. number of persons per acre	5.5
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Number of inhabited houses:	3,550
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Rateable Value:	£362,277
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Sum produced by a penny (1p) rate:	£3,400
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SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA  
EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1971

		Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
LIVE  BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE: Male	102	298	90	49	222	280	335	1,376
	Female	100	266	89	54	224	257	305	1,295
	Total	202	564	179	103	446	537	640	2,671
	ILLEGITIMATE: Male	11	21	7	1	14	15	27	96
	Female	7	8	5	5	12	10	30	77
	Total	18	29	12	6	26	25	57	173
TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS		220	593	191	109	472	562	697	2,844
CRUDE BIRTH RATE PER 1,000 of mid year population 1971		12.6	13.0	10.4	11.3	15.0	18.1	15.6	14.3
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar-General		1.26	1.07	1.13	1.14	1.03	0.98	1.10	-
ADJUSTED BIRTH RATE		15.9	13.9	11.8	12.9	15.5	17.7	17.2	-
STILL  BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE: Male	2	2	1	-	2	2	4	13
	Female	1	6	-	1	1	3	4	16
	Total	3	8	1	1	3	5	8	29
	ILLEGITIMATE: Male	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
	Female	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
	Total	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	4
TOTAL STILL BIRTHS		3	9	2	1	4	5	9	33
STILL BIRTH RATE per 1,000 (live and still) births		13	15	10	9	8	9	13	11.5
TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS		223	602	193	110	476	567	706	2,877

	Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
<div> <div> INFANT DEATHS (under one year) </div> <div> Male Female TOTAL </div> </div>	- 3	6 4	- 1	- 1	2 4	2 3	6 6	16 22
	3	10	1	1	6	5	12	38
INFANT MORTALITY RATES:								
All infants per 1,000 live births	14	17	5	9	13	9	17	13.4
NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	9	15	5	9	8	7	10	9.8
EARLY NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	9	13	-	9	8	7	9	9.0
PERI-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births	22	28	10	18	17	16	21	20.2
MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<div> DEATHS </div> <div> Male Female TOTAL </div>	73 109	221 261	84 104	42 52	134 166	148 146	259 418	961 1,256
	182	482	188	94	300	294	677	2,217
CRUDE DEATH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1971	10.4	10.6	10.3	9.7	9.5	9.5	15.2	11.2
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar General	0.88	0.99	0.83	0.79	0.85	0.97	0.54	-
ADJUSTED DEATH RATE	9.2	10.5	8.5	7.7	8.1	9.2	8.2	-



SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)  
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	2	1	3
Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal Diseases	2	-	2
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity Etc.,	3	2	5
Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus	7	10	17
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	17	20	37
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	24	38	62
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	106	27	133
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	62	62
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	18	18
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	13	-	13
Leukaemia	4	7	11
Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.,	61	71	132
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	2	5	7
Diabetes Mellitus	5	13	18
Avitaminoses, etc.,	-	1	1
Other Endocrine, etc., Diseases	-	3	3
Anaemias	3	4	7
Other Diseases of Blood, etc.,	-	2	2
Multiple Sclerosis	3	2	5
Other Diseases of Nervous System, Etc.,	9	11	20
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	8	16	24
Hypertensive Disease	20	17	37
Ischaemic Heart Disease	226	224	450
Other Forms of Heart Disease	53	121	174
Cerebrovascular Disease	107	241	348



SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA  
TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)  
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	2	1	-	4	1	-	3	-	-	1	4	4
2	-	5	6	1	1	1	-	2	6	2	2	4	5
-	2	8	9	2	4	1	2	3	5	2	2	8	14
7	4	25	9	8	3	9	-	11	1	22	1	24	9
-	6	-	14	-	6	-	3	-	10	-	11	-	12
-	1	-	4	-	1	-	3	-	6	-	1	-	2
2	-	4	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	1	-	1	-
-	1	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	3	1	1
4	4	16	20	6	4	3	1	4	19	10	6	18	17
-	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-
2	2	1	2	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	1	2	5
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
-	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
1	4	3	3	1	1	1	-	2	-	-	1	1	2
1	4	3	2	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	2	3	6
-	-	6	5	1	1	1	3	4	2	6	3	2	3
17	22	49	44	20	17	10	8	37	26	41	38	52	69
3	13	13	9	2	9	4	7	7	16	10	14	14	53
5	20	23	42	6	16	4	10	15	26	13	24	41	103

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)  
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	39	69	108
Influenza	1	-	1
Pneumonia	71	116	187
Bronchitis and Emphysema	62	15	77
Asthma	2	5	7
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	8	14	22
Peptic Ulcer	4	6	10
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	7	4	11
Cirrhosis of Liver	2	1	3
Other Diseases of Digestive System	11	22	33
Nephritis and Nephrosis	4	3	7
Hyperplasia of Prostate	2	-	2
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	9	12	21
Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue	1	2	3
Other complications of Pregnancy, etc.,	-	2	2
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	2	7	9
Congenital Anomalies	4	7	11
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.,	6	9	15
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	3	1	4
Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	9	8	17
Motor Vehicle Accidents	19	8	27
All Other Accidents	9	14	23
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	10	12	22
All Other External Causes	1	2	3
TOTALS	961	1,256	2,217

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)  
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
3	5	8	21	7	8	2	1	7	5	4	4	8	25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
6	8	16	28	9	11	1	5	8	19	10	11	21	34
8	2	12	4	9	2	-	1	7	1	7	1	19	4
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	3
-	-	2	5	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	1	3	7
-	1	3	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2
-	2	-	1	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	2	1
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
2	1	1	8	1	2	-	1	1	2	1	3	5	5
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
2	-	-	3	-	2	-	1	1	2	2	2	4	2
-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
1	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	2
-	-	2	3	-	2	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-
-	1	3	1	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	2	1	3
-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	4	-	2	5
3	1	3	1	4	-	-	1	4	3	2	1	3	1
1	-	2	1	-	2	1	-	-	3	2	2	3	6
-	2	2	2	1	1	-	1	2	2	2	1	3	3
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
73	109	221	261	84	104	42	52	134	166	148	146	259	418



CAUSES OF DEATH OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

CAUSE OF DEATH	Under 24 hours	1 day to 1 week	1-2 weeks	2-3 weeks	3-4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1-3 mths.	3-6 mths.	6-9 mths.	9-12 mths.	TOTAL
Birth injury difficult labour, etc.	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1

DEATHS FROM LUNG CANCER DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

YEAR	20 - 34 years		35 - 44 years		45 - 64 years		65 - 74 years		75 years and over		TOTAL	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
1962	-	-	1	-	2	1	2	-	1	1	6	2
1963	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
1964	-	-	-	-	3	-	2	-	-	1	5	1
1965	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	1	-	1	4	2
1966	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	1	-	2	4	3
1967	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	3	1
1968	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
1969	-	-	-	-	4	1	1	-	2	-	7	1
1970	-	-	-	-	2	3	-	-	1	1	3	4
1971	-	-	-	-	1	-	7	-	1	-	9	-
TOTALS	-	-	1	-	21	7	18	2	5	6	45	15

AGES OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	Total cases (all ages)	Under 1 year	1 yr.	2 yrs.	3 yrs.	4 yrs.	5-9 yrs.	10-14 yrs.	15-24 yrs.	25-44 yrs.	45-64 yrs.	65 and over
Whooping Cough	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	15	-	-	2	5	4	1	-	2	1	-	-
Dysentery	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
TOTALS	22	-	-	2	5	4	6	-	4	1	-	-

SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTALS
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2
Measles	-	1	5	5	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	15
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
TOTALS	-	1	5	8	1	2	2	2	1	-	-	-	22

# TUBERCULOSIS

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 9 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 19 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 24 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 64 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 - 74 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## TUBERCULOSIS - SUMMARY OF CASES

	M A L E		F E M A L E		TOTAL
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
Cases on register at beginning of year	46	2	37	6	91
Cases added	1	-	-	-	1
Cases removed	-	-	-	-	-
Cases remaining	47	2	37	6	92

## NUMBER OF CASES AND DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

Year	Pulmonary		Non Pulmonary		Total Deaths
	No.of cases notified	Deaths	No.of cases notified	Deaths	
1962	-	-	2	-	-
1963	3	-	-	-	-
*1964	1	1	1	-	1
1965	3	-	-	-	-
*1966	1	1	-	-	1
1967	-	-	-	-	-
*1968	-	-	-	-	-
1969	-	-	-	-	-
1970	2	1	-	-	1
1971	-	-	-	-	-

\* Denotes year Mass Radiography Unit visited District



# IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION

The following table shows the figures for 1971 based on the return sent to the Department of Health and Social Security

YEAR OF BIRTH	P R I M A R Y						R E I N F O R C I N G						
	Triple Antigen	Diph- theria Tetanus	Small- pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio mye- litis	Rubella	Triple Antigen	Diph- theria Tetanus	Small- pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio mye- litis
1971	5	-	3	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1970	64	2	11	-	22	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1969	16	-	26	-	16	17	-	4	2	-	-	-	-
1968	1	1	4	-	12	5	-	2	1	-	-	-	-
1967	-	-	2	-	1	1	-	1	5	1	-	-	2
1966	-	1	2	-	5	-	-	5	45	-	-	-	49
1964/65	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	1	31	1	-	-	30
1955/63	-	-	1	7	3	-	48	3	12	2	9	-	12
TOTAL	86	4	50	7	61	93	48	16	96	4	9	-	93

Smallpox vaccinations at County Clinics were discontinued as from 30.7.71

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES  
(Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936  
as amended by the Nursing Homes Act, 1963)

	Number of Homes	Number of beds provided for:-		
		Maternity	Others	Total
Homes registered during year	-	-	-	-
Homes whose registrations were withdrawn during year	-	-	-	-
Homes on register at end of year	1	-	10	10

Visits of inspection, and special visits as required, are made to the above Nursing Home during the year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - SECTION 47  
NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

(Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention)

No action was necessary under these Enactments during the year.

Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory Service, under the Directorship of Dr. A. L. Furniss, provided excellent facilities during the year for the examination of specimens and full co-operation with the staff was maintained. Valuable facilities are also available in the Pathological Departments of the following hospitals: Kent and Sussex, Pembury, Sevenoaks and Orpington.

Staff Medical Examinations

During the year three medical examinations were carried out for the District for superannuation purposes, and three for Heavy Goods Vehicle Licences.

International Vaccination Certificates

These are authenticated on request, in accordance with International agreements. In co-operation with the immigration authorities, persons arriving in this country from infected or suspected areas without valid certificates are kept under surveillance by the Health Department.



## LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES OF THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

### HEALTH SERVICES

#### Ambulance Facilities

Enquiries relating to ambulance service matters and requests for ambulance transport are dealt with by the Kent County Ambulance Service from their station at 86A, Speldhurst Road, Southborough. (Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23222).

#### Domiciliary Midwifery

The County Council arranges for the free attendance of midwives upon patients who are to be confined at home. The name and address of the appropriate midwife for any particular district is usually known to the patient's doctor, but can be obtained from the Area Office of the County Council.

#### Home Nursing Service

The County Council provides a service free of charge for the attendance on persons whose doctors require them to be nursed in their own homes. The nurse's attendance is normally arranged by the doctor, but the name and address of the appropriate nurse for any particular district is obtainable from the Area Office of the County Council.

### SOCIAL SERVICES

#### Area Office

Area Director:-

Miss B. Bristow,  
39, Grove Hill Road,  
Tunbridge Wells  
Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23342

#### Home Help Service

Home help service may be provided in households where it is needed owing to the presence of a person who is ill, lying-in, an expectant mother, aged, handicapped as a result of having suffered from illness or congenital deformity, or a child not over compulsory school age, but only where there is no able-bodied person in the household capable of carrying out the necessary household duties.

### Night and Evening Service

Evening service is provided for elderly people who are bedridden or housebound and have no one to assist them to prepare for the night and includes the provision of a light meal or hot drink and attention to fires. Night service is provided, for no longer than three weeks unless there are exceptional circumstances, for the care of seriously ill people who are living in their own homes and need attention during the night. In some cases the service is provided for one to three nights a week to give relief to relatives.

### Family Care Service

This service is provided for the short-term care of children in their own homes during the absence of the mother by reason of admission to hospital for illness or confinement or in other special circumstances. Help is given only to families where care of at least two children is involved and the period of service is limited to three months.

### Family Welfare Service

This service is provided, with the parent's consent, in households where the habits, behaviour and standards of living of the family are much below those generally accepted in the society in which they live. The three main objectives of the service are to raise the standards of living of the families, to improve the welfare of the children, and to keep the families together and prevent their break-up. Intensive training for a period of three months is given and this is succeeded by a follow-on service for nine months. In families where there is medical evidence of mental subnormality the continuance of the service after the initial period of three months may be approved for not more than twelve hours a week until the youngest child reaches compulsory school age.

### Health Visitor

Mrs.F.M. Colbourne

### Child Welfare Centres and Clinics

<u>Centre</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Day and Time</u>
St.John's Methodist Hall, Vale Road, Southborough	Child Welfare	Fri. P.M.
	Ante Natal )	1st and 3rd Thurs.P.M.
	Midwives Clinic )	
	Relaxation Class )	2nd and 4th Thurs.P.M.
	Midwives Clinic )	
St.Matthew's Parish Hall, High Brooms	Child Welfare	Tues.P.M.



SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

Hospitals

The Hospital Management Committees of the South-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board covering the hospitals in the Joint Health Area are set out below:-

Tunbridge Wells Hospital Management Committee:  
Sherwood Park, Pembury Road, Tunbridge Wells  
Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23444

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Pembury Hospital  
Kent and Sussex Hospital  
Homoeopathic Hospital  
Tonbridge Cottage Hospital  
Tunbridge Wells Maternity Hospital  
Hawkenbury Hospital  
Edenbridge and District Memorial Hospital  
David Salomons House, Southborough  
Hawkhurst Cottage Hospital

Cray Valley and Sevenoaks Hospital Management Committee:  
Orpington Hospital, Orpington  
Tel. Orpington 27050

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Sevenoaks Hospital  
Emily Jackson Wing of Sevenoaks Hospital  
Sundridge Hospital

Chest Clinics

<u>Address</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Times</u>
Baltic Road, Tonbridge	Monday	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Pembury Hospital, Pembury	Wednesday	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Kent and Sussex Hospital Tunbridge Wells	Friday	All day
Sevenoaks Chest Clinic, Outpatients Department, Sevenoaks Hospital	Wednesday	Morning

Clinic for Treatment of Venereal Diseases

Kent and Sussex Hospital	Tuesday (Females)	9.30 a.m.
Tunbridge Wells	Tuesday (Males)	10.30 a.m.

SOUTHBOROUGH URBAN DISTRICT

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

1. Water Supply

Southborough Urban District is supplied with mains water from the Borough of Royal Tunbridge Wells. Supplies during the year have been sufficient and the quality of the water, as shown by sampling, was satisfactory.

Examination reports on water samples taken during the year by the Public Health Inspector were as follows:-

	Bacteriological Examination			Chemical Examination		
	No. of Samples	Satis- factory	Not Satis- factory	No. of Samples	Satis- factory	Not Satis- factory
Statutory supply undertakings	36	36	-	-	-	-
Private sources piped to dwellings	33	28	5	-	-	-
Other private sources	-	-	-	-	-	-

Of the six houses and one slaughterhouse without mains supply, three houses and the slaughterhouse were connected to mains during year. A large candle filter is being installed to filter the private supply to two of the remaining three. The retail producer dairy not on main supply has stopped retailing milk, and now supplies milk in bulk to a wholesale dairy.

In addition to the 36 samples taken from the Tunbridge Wells supply, samples have also been taken by the Water Undertaking, themselves, at the sources and one Reservoir in the Southborough Urban District. All proved satisfactory.

There have been no important extensions of mains carried out by the Tunbridge Wells Water Undertaking during 1971.



2. Drainage and Sewerage

No new works of sewerage and sewage disposal were carried out during the year.

The existing sewer in Bright Ridge has been extended to serve 30 new houses. Altogether 32 new houses and 21 new flats have been connected to the sewerage system throughout the District during the past year.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal

No changes were made in respect of the collection and disposal of refuse during 1971.

4. Swimming Pools

Number of school swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	1
Number of private swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	3
Number of visits made during year	...	...	...	...	...	7

No samples were taken during year.

5. Inspection of the District

Number of complaints received and investigated...	...	...	257
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspector during year			1,306

Informal Notices:

Served during year	...	...	...	...	43
Complied with during year	...	...	...	...	44

Statutory Notices:

Served during year	...	...	...	...	3
Complied with during year					
(a) by owners	...	...	...	...	-
(b) by local authority in default	...				3

Legal proceedings taken during year	...	...	...	...	-
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Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspector during the year:

Housing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	317
Nuisances, etc., (not included under Housing)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	97
Visits to Food Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	102
Food Hygiene (Markets, Stalls & Delivery Vehicles) Regulations, 1966										3
Visits re Food Complaints	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	58
Swimming Pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Factories Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	67
Shops Acts, 1950/65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Petroleum Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	246
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Agriculture (Safety, Health & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Pet Animals Act, 1951	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Atmospheric Pollution	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13
Noise Abatement	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Infectious Disease Visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
Meat Inspection at Slaughterhouse	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	191
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37
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6. Disinfestation

The following infestations were dealt with during the year:-

Wasps 43:    Ants 5:    Cockroaches 7:    Bees 3:    Woodworm 6 ;  
 Fleas 3:    Beetles 4:

7. Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS

	TYPE OF PROPERTY	
	NON- AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL
1. Number of properties in the District	3,698	18
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	138	-
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	52	-
(ii) Mice	74	-
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	1,692	18
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	77	2
(ii) Mice	116	7

SEWERS

Sewer treatment was carried out during the year, and infestations dealt with.

8. Rag, Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

Number of registered premises ... .. Nil

9. Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957

Number of licensed premises ... .. 2

Number of inspections made during the year ... .. 11

10. Agricultural (Safety, Health & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956

Number of inspections made ... .. 8

11. Pet Animals Act, 1951

Number of premises licensed ... .. 1

Number of visits made ... .. 2

12. Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

Number of premises licensed ... .. Nil

13. Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Number of dealers registered ... .. 5



# FACTORIES ACT, 1961

## Part I of the Act

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	4	4	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	23	9	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	9	11	-	-
TOTAL	36	24	-	-

2. Cases in which Defects were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	2	2	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) unsuitable or defective	1	1	-	-	-
(c) not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	3	3	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK

(Sections 133 and 134)

No. of Outworkers ... Nil

OFFICES SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(A) Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	-	23	10
Retail Shops	3	33	19
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	2	5	55
Catering establishments open to the public, Canteens	-	3	3
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-
TOTALS	5	64	87

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspector to registered premises under the Act ... 67



(B) Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Contraventions	No. found	Section	Contraventions	No. found
4	Cleanliness	2	13	Sitting facilities	-
5	Overcrowding	-	14	Seats(sedentary workers)	-
6	Temperature	1	15	Eating facilities	-
7	Ventilation	2	16	Floors, passages & stairs	1
8	Lighting	1	17	Fencing exposed parts of machinery	-
9	Sanitary Conveniences	-	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	1	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of drinking water	-	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing accommodation	3	24	First Aid General Provisions	7
				TOTAL	18

(C) Exemptions

Number of applications received	...	...	...	Nil
Number of applications granted	...	...	...	Nil

(D) Prosecutions

Number instituted and completed during the year	Nil
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(E) Reported Accidents      ...      ...      ...      ...      ...      ...      Nil



## HOUSING

### (A) Repair - Housing and Public Health Acts

Number of houses rendered fit after service of notices:-

	Sections 9, 10 and 16 Housing Act, 1957		Public Health and similar Local Acts		TOTALS	
	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal
(a) By owner	15	-	26	-	41	-
(b) By Local Authority	-	-	-	-	-	-

### (B) Beyond Repair - Housing Act, 1957

Number of (i)	Undertakings accepted (Section 16)	...	...	...	-
(ii)	Closing Orders made (Section 17)	...	...	...	-
(iii)	Demolition Orders made (Section 17)	...	...	...	2
(iv)	Closing Orders made (Section 18)	...	...	...	2
(v)	Closing Orders determined (Section 27)	...	...	...	-
(vi)	Closing Orders revoked and Demolition Orders substituted (Section 28)	...	...	...	-
(vii)	Houses demolished following Demolition Orders	...	...	...	2
(viii)	Houses repaired under Section 24 after Demolition Orders	...	...	...	-

### (C) Clearance Areas

(1)	Represented during year	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(2)	Action taken during year	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(3)	Purchase of houses by agreement	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

(D) Improvement Grants

(1) Discretionary

	<u>Owner/Occupiers</u>	<u>Tenanted</u>
(i) Number of applications received	13	17
(ii) Number of applications approved	13	17
(iii) Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv) Number of dwellings improved	15	9
		£
(v) Amount paid in grants		9,470 - 00
(vi) Average grant per house		394 - 60

(2) Standard

	<u>Owner/Occupiers</u>	<u>Tenanted</u>
(i) Number of applications received	25	8
(ii) Number of applications approved	25	8
(iii) Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv) Number of dwellings improved	17	9
		£
(v) Amount paid in grants		5,762 - 00
(vi) Average grant per house		221 - 61
(vii) Amenities provided		
(a) fixed bath or shower		23
(b) wash hand basin		23
(c) hot water supply (to any fittings)		25
(d) water closet (1) within dwelling		22
(2) accessible from dwelling		-
(e) sink		-

(3) Special Grants (Multiple Occupied Premises)

Number of applications received	Nil
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(E) Housing Act, 1969

(1) General Improvement Areas

Number of areas (a) Surveyed	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(b) Declared	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

(2) Qualification Certificates

(a) Cases where Improvements Required

(i) Number of applications for Qualifiaction Certificates - Section 44 (2)	...	...	...	...	...	5
(ii) Number of Certificates of Provisional Approval issued	...	...	...	...	...	5
(iii) Number of Qualification Certificates issued - Section 46 (3)	...	...	...	...	...	-

(b) Standard Amenities already Provided

(i) Number of applications for Qualification Certificates - Section 44 (1)	...	...	...	...	6
(ii) Number of Qualification Certificates issued - Section 45 (2)	...	...	...	...	2

(F) Improvement Areas - Housing Act, 1964

Number of dwellings improved	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
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(G) Houses in Multiple Occupation

No houses falling into this category were inspected during the year.

Caravans (as at 31st December, 1971)

Number of site licences issued	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
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Common Lodging Houses

Number registered in District	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
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## INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

### 1. Milk Supplies

Number of registered distributors	...	...	...	...	...	11
Number of registered dairies - wholesale	...	...	...	...		-
retail	...	...	...	...		-

### Milk Sampling

	Number of Samples Taken	Number of Unsatisfactory Samples
Untreated	7	-
Pasteurised	-	-
Sterilised	-	-

### 2. Ice Cream

Number of premises registered

(a) for the manufacture of ice cream	...	...	Nil
(b) for the sale of ice cream	...	...	31

Results of samples taken: 17 Grade 1

### 3. Premises registered for the Manufacture of Preserved Foods

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Number on Register</u>
Fish Frying	2
Cooked Meat and Sausages	10
Cooked Meat only	1
Chinese Food	1

#### 4. Slaughterhouses

Number in District ... .. 1

#### CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	-	-	16	-	1,635	-
Number inspected	-	-	16	-	1,635	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</u> Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	6	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	128	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	-	-	-	-	8.2	-
<u>Tuberculosis only</u> Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	10	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	.61	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u> Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

Number of slaughtermen's licences renewed during the year ... .. 2

Number of new licences issued during the year ... .. Nil

5. Food Premises subject to The Food Hygiene (General) Regulations,1960

CATEGORY OF TRADE	Number in District	Number fitted to comply with Reg.16 (wash basins)	Number to which Reg.19 applies (provision of sinks etc.,)	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 19
Cafes & Restaurants	5	5	5	5
Canteens	22	22	22	22
Food Stalls & Vehicles Shops	1	1	-	-
Public Houses and Off-Licences	14	14	14	14
Bakers	3	3	3	3
Butchers	9	9	9	9
Fishmongers	3	3	3	3
Grocers	21	21	21	21
Greengrocers	8	8	8	8
Fried Fish Shops	2	2	2	2
General Stores & Sweets	11	11	9	9
Wholesale Warehouses	5	5	2	3

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Details of samples taken by the County Sampling Officers within the Southborough Urban District during the year ended 31st December,1971.

										<u>Satis- factory</u>	<u>Unsatis- factory</u>
Milk	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	-
Tinned meats,meat,fish, fish and meat pastes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	-
Sugar confectionery, sugar, flour confectionery, chocolate products, cereals	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	-
Jams, preserves, honey, jellies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	-
Dried fruit, raw fruit, vegetables, tinned fruit and vegetables	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	-
Pickles, sauces, vinegar, condiments	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	-
Drugs, medicines	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	3
Beer, wines, spirits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	-
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	-
										<u>27</u>	<u>3</u>
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UNSATISFACTORY SAMPLES

Violet Baby Cough Linctus

Below required strength of Choloroform and Citric Acid. Stock exhausted. No further action.

Balsam of Aniseed (2 samples)

Below required strength of Chloroform and Citric Acid. Stock taken off sale.



6. Poultry Inspection

Number of poultry processing premises within the District     ...     ...     Nil

7. Unsound Food

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Fish	2	3	5	2
Meat	5	1	19	-
Tinned Foods	1	-	6	6
Other Foods	3	3	7	1

All unsound food, with the exception of butchers' meat, is collected and buried at the Council's Tip. Condemned meat is dyed and usually sent for processing and sterilisation.

8. Food Poisoning

No case of food poisoning was notified during the year.







